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In re Patent Application of	)	<b>MAIL STOP AMENDMENT</b>
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 11, 2008, having a three-month shortened statutory response period in which this Amendment is being timely filed, please amend the above identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the claim summary which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.